Title I Program Update

April 17, 2001

METNET Interactive Video Presentation

8:00 a.m. - 8:55 a.m.

Title I Program Update

An update and review of basic Title I program information for local program directors and coordinators.

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AGENDA

8:00-8:05 Welcome and Introductions

8:05-8:10 Allocations & Reallocated \$

8:10-8:25 Title I Basics - Refresher

8:25-8:35 MontCAS

8:35-8:40 AYP

8:40-8:50 Update on Reauthorization

8:50-8:55 Q & A

8:55-9:00 Transition to ESEA Workshop

Reallocated Funds

- ✓ Limited funds available
- ✓ Districts ranked on free/reduced lunch
- ✓ Request special application from OPI
- ✓ Call Gwen Smith 444-5660
- ✓ Applications postmarked by Oct. 15
- ✓ No Faxes!

2001 - 2002 Allocations

Title I preliminary allocation amounts listed on page 2 of your application are 97% of your last year's allocation.

Title I final allocation amounts may be much closer to 100% of your last year's allocation. We will add to your approved budget 1.

Title I (formerly Chapter 1)

Purpose

- ✓ Funding for local school districts to improve teaching and learning of low achieving children and to enable them to achieve challenging academic content and high performance standards.
- √ targets schools with concentration of children
 of low income families.

Title I Allocations

√ Congress appropriates funds

✓ Department of Education determines district allocation using recent census data

✓ District determines allocation to eligible schools

How are Title I funds used?

- ✓ Hire teachers and other staff to provide services to eligible children
- ✓ Train teachers and other staff
- ✓ Buy equipment and learning materials

- ✓ Support parent/family involvement activities
- ✓ Provide after-school, weekend or summer school programs

Types of Title I Programs

✓ Schoolwide Program (SWP)

✓ Targeted Assisted Program (TAS)

Schoolwide Programs

- ✓ A school is eligible if it has a poverty level (free and reduced meals) of at least 50%.
- ✓ Must develop a comprehensive plan for how the total instructional program of the school will make use of all available resources to help all students meet high standards.

SWP Components

A comprehensive needs assessment

- 2. Use best-practices, school reform strategies
- 3. Highly qualified instructional staff
- 4. Professional development for all members of the school community

SWP Components (cont.)

- 5. Parent involvement
- 6. Help preschool children with transition from preschool programs to elementary school
- 7. Teachers involved in assessment decisions
- 8. Intensive assistance to all students who have difficulty in mastering state standards

Targeted Assistance Program

✓ Not eligible for SWP (<50% F/R Lunch) or school decides not to develop SWP.

✓ Student identification and selection is required.

TAS differs from SWP

✓ Services only to eligible children.

✓ Supplement and not supplant funds.

✓ Document that funds were spent for services to eligible children.

8 Essential TAS Components

- Help eligible children meet the state's performance standards expected for all children
- 2. Effective means for improving achievement of targeted students
- 3. Co-planning w/regular classroom & Title I teachers
- 4. Effective instructional strategies

TAS components (cont.)

- 5. Coordinate with and support the regular educational program
- 6. Use of highly qualified staff
- 7. Professional development for all staff
- 8. Parent/family involvement

High Quality Instruction

Instructional models

- ✓ In regular classroom
- ✓ In-class with limited pull-out
- ✓ Replacement classes

Ongoing Student Assessment

- **✓** NRT
- ✓ Criterion-referenced tests
- ✓ Classroom performance
- ✓ Teacher observation checklists
- ✓ Student performance evaluations

- ✓ Writing samples
- ✓ Observation checklists
- ✓ Student-led progress reports
- ✓ Parent conference interviews
- ✓ Portfolios
- ✓ Performance events

Professional Development

✓ Ongoing training of all staff

✓ Highly trained staff providing instruction in the content areas

✓ Content of training based on teacher input and identified need

Parent/Family Involvement

✓ written policy distributed to parents

√ Use of school-parent compacts

✓ build capacity for increased involvement of parents in planning & evaluation

What is a school-parent compact?

A written agreement - not a contract!

- ✓ developed by teachers, parents, students
- √ has action statements for everyone
- ✓ serves as a framework for ongoing collaboration and communication

MontCAS (Under Construction)

Montana Comprehensive Assessment System

A Shared Responsibility

Board of Public Education Assessment

- ✓ A coordinated comprehensive assessment system for Montana is in the developmental stages – Montana Comprehensive Assessment System, MontCAS
- ✓ Statewide large-scale testing will occur March 12 30, 2001 in grades 4, 8, and 11 in all public schools throughout Montana.

Board of Public Education Assessment

- ✓ All schools will administer the new Iowa tests from Riverside Publishing Company.
- √ Grades 4 and 8 Iowa Test of Basic Skills
- ✓ Grade 11 Iowa Test of Educational Development

MontCAS (Under Construction)

Phase 1.

- ✓ Provide a single norm-referenced achievement test (NRT) with partial alignment to standards
- ✓ Alignment study indicates partial match to Montana Standards
- ✓ Administer the NRT March 12-30, 2001; each spring thereafter.
- ✓ Test all students in grades 4, 8, and 11 in reading, mathematics, language arts, science, and social studies

MontCAS Under Construction

Phase 2.

Beginning 2001-2002 for Title I schools and 2002-2003 for all schools

✓ Multiple measures administered locally and reported to the OPI in reading and mathematics at grades 4, 8, and 11

MontCAS Under Construction

Phase 3.

✓ Multiple measures administered locally in all other program areas during 2003-2004 and 2004-2005, but no later than July 1, 2005, e.g., health enhancement, world languages, library media

Curriculum and Assessment

Proposed 10.55.603 Curriculum and Assessment

- ✓ School district assessment plans shall be included in the comprehensive education plan
- ✓ School districts shall use effective and appropriate multiple measures and methods to assess student progress in achieving content and performance standards in all program areas

Curriculum and Assessment

Proposed 10.55.603 Curriculum and Assessment

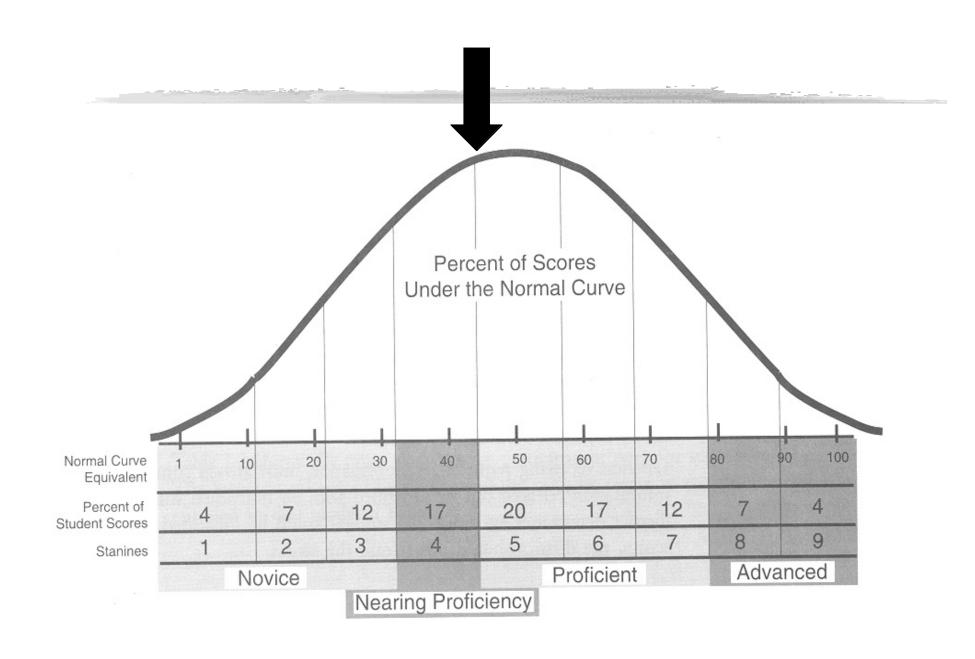
- ✓ OPI shall develop criteria and procedures for the selection of effective and appropriate multiple measures and methods to be used to assess student progress in reading and mathematics
- ✓ OPI shall provide technical assistance to districts to meet the criteria and procedures

Students (no exemptions)

✓ Statewide student assessment requirements include all students – special education and limited English proficient students

Adequate Yearly Progress

- ✓ Requirement of Title I Law
- ✓ State Defines



Identification for Improvement

- ✓ SEA—annual review
- ✓ <u>Average</u> NCE scores in grades 4, 8, 11
- ✓ Reading & Math
- ✓ Six students or more
- √ Two years below 45.2 NCE
- ✓ District identification—50% of schools

Local Review

- ✓ Review assessment data
- ✓ Alternative Data
- √ Targeted Assistance Schools-options
 - ✓ Only Title I students
 - ✓ Exclusion of scores—less than a year in the school/district

Requirements

- ✓ Develop or revise its school plan
- ✓ Address area identified
- ✓ Submit to LEA/SEA
- ✓ Implement—1st year after identification
- ✓ Improve staff skills--10% of Title I allocation over two year period
- ✓ Removal—2 years above 45.2 NCE

3 Current Efforts Underway:

✓ HR 1 – U.S. House of Representatives

✓ BEST – U.S. Senate

✓ No Child Left Behind – President Bush

Main Issues:

- ✓ More Money
- ✓ Annual Assessment
- ✓ Rewards and Sanctions

Focus:

✓ Adequate Progress

✓ Corrective Action

✓ Choice Mandates

✓ Teachers and Aides

- √ "Straight A's"
- √ "Transferability"

✓ Schoolwides, School Eligibility

√ Funding Formula

✓ Private School Services

✓ "Reading First"